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Applicant: Paolini  
Title: INFLATABLE BLANKET WITH A TIE  
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Art Unit 3739

RESPONSE

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

This response is in reply to the office action mailed on December 14, 2005. The pending claims are 1-9, 11-19 and 21.

In the office action, the examiner (1) rejected claims 1-9 and 11-14 as being unpatentable over Anderson et al. (6,309,409) in view of Gammons (2005/0107856) and further in view of Islava (6,719,711); and (2) allowed claims 15-19 and 21.

The allowance of those claims is greatly appreciated. The applicant has elected to cancel the remaining claims to obtain the allowance and possibly file a continuation application for the remaining claims. The claims (amended, canceled, and in original form) are set forth on page 2 of this response.

For at least the above-identified reasons, this applicant petitions the Commissioner for Patents to allow this application to issue as a patent.

Respectfully submitted,

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